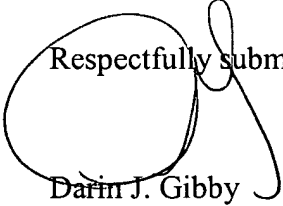


**REMARKS**

This application is a continuation of U.S. Application No. 10/046,377 ("the parent application"). In the parent application, a Restriction Requirement was issued on December 24, 2002, requiring election of one of two identified inventions. In this continuation application, Applicant elects to prosecute Group I, corresponding to Claims 1-12 in the parent application. Accordingly, a cross-reference to the parent application has been added to the specification and Claims 13-25 have been canceled. Examination of the claims is respectfully requested.

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